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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR WASHINGTON MFM AND ATLANTA OASGA

1. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WHICH RESPONDS TO POINTS
RAISED IN REFTEL (NOTAL) IS BEING REPEATED TO ALL POSTS
FOR BACKGROUND AND FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO INQUIRIES
FROM HOST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS.
2. AGENDA FOR WASHINGTON MEETING OF FOREIGN MINISTERS
(MFM): THE AGENDA FOR THE MFM WILL CONSIST OF THE SAME
EIGHT POINTS AGREED TO BY THE LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN
MINISTERS AT BOGOTA FOR THE MEXICO CITY MEETING. WE
ANTICIPATE THAT THE SAME BASIC FORMAT AND PROCEDURES
EMPLOYED SO SUCCESSFULLY AT MEXICO CITY WILL BE USED
DURING THE WASHINGTON MEETING. A WORKING GROUP UNDER
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THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY KUBISCH AND

CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES DESIGNATED BY THE FOREIGN MINISTER OF EACH COUNTRY (IN MOST CASES THE WHITE HOUSE AMBASSADORS) IS NOW WORKING OUT THE PROCEDURAL DETAILS FOR THE CONFERENCE.

3. CURRENT PLANS CALL FOR THE CONFERENCE TO BEGIN AT 1:00 P.M. WASHINGTON TIME ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, WITH A LUNCHEON HOSTED BY SECRETARY KISSINGER. THE FIRST WORKING SESSION IS SCHEDULED FOR 3:00 P.M. AND AN EVENING SOCIAL FUNCTION MAY BE HELD THAT SAME DAY.

4. THE SECOND WORKING SESSION WILL BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M. ON THURSDAY, APRIL 18, FOLLOWED BY A WORKING BUFFET LUNCHEON AT APPROXIMATELY 1:00 P.M. THE THIRD WORKING SESSION IS SCHEDULED FOR 2:30 P.M., WITH DEPARTURE FOR ATLANTA SET FOR 5:30 P.M. THE SAME DAY.

5. MOST LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTERS PLAN TO ARRIVE A DAY OR TWO PRIOR TO THE OPENING OF THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE TO TAKE PART IN A CAUCUS AT THE ARGENTINE EMBASSY TO CONCERT THEIR POSITION FOR THE MEETING.

6. OASGA. FOLLOWING CONCLUSION OF THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE ON THE EVENING OF APRIL 18, MOST FOREIGN MINISTERS ARE EXPECTED TO FLY TO ATLANTA ON USG AIRCRAFT. OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON FRIDAY, APRIL 19. WHETHER INAUGURAL SESSION WILL BE IN THE MORNING OR AFTERNOON REMAINS TO BE DECIDED.

7. SECRETARY KISSINGER WILL PARTICIPATE IN OPENING CEREMONIES ON APRIL 19. PLANS FOR HIS DEPARTURE FROM ATLANTA HAVE NOT BEEN FINALIZED. UPON HIS DEPARTURE, DEPUTY SECRETARY RUSH WILL ASSUME HIS FUNCTIONS AS CHIEF OF THE U.S. DELEGATION AND A LATIN AMERICAN FOREIGN MINISTER WILL TAKE OVER SECRETARY KISSINGER'S DUTIES AS PRESIDING OFFICER OF THE ASSEMBLY.

8. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY IS EXPECTED TO CLOSE ON MAY 1, 1974. RUSH

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